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Remarks
Because this is a case wherein we ought to let
Justice take the lead, it would seem that no response
is necessary. If, because Hyde is in HPSCI, you
feel some acknowledgment is necessary, please
consult with DCI/DDCI before doing so.

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The Honorable Henry J. Hyde Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Henry:

Thank you for sending me a copy of your letter to the Attorney General regarding the Scranage case and the application of the Intelligence Identities Protection Act of 1982. We are still very appreciative of the efforts Congress made to give us the Identities Act, and I would expect the Department of Justice to use it in every applicable situation. But the call has to be the Department's. Thanks again.

Sincerely,

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William J. Casey Director of Central Intelligence

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July 16, 1985

Honorable Edwin Meese III
Attorney General of the United States
Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Mr. Attorney General:

On July 11, 1985 Director Webster announced the arrest of Ms. Sharon M. Scranage, a Central Intelligence Agency employee, and Mr. Michel Agbotui Soussoudis on charges of conspiracy to commit espionage in violation of Section 794(c) of Title 18, United States Code. The criminal complaint afficavits of a Special Agent of the FBI filed in these cases in the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia states that Ms. Scranage transmitted to Mr. Soussoudis handwritten lists containing the true names of individuals who were cooperating covertly with the CIA, and that Ms. Scranage met with Mr. Soussoudis and two Ghanaian agents and discussed CIA assets and sources in Ghana and other locations.

It would appear that the conduct in which Ms. Scranage is alleged to have engaged would constitute an offense under Section 601(a) of the National Security Act of 1947, enacted by the Intelligence Identities Protection Act of 1982 (P.L. 97-200) (50 U.S.C. 421(a)). I believe that appropriate consideration should be given to prosecution under the Intelligence Identities Protection Act to send a clear message that the United States attaches the utmost importance to the security of its intelligence activities and the safety of its intelligence sources.

I recognize that these are delicate and sensitive matters, and I do not wish in any way to interfere in your prosecution of these cases or to comment on the allegations against these individuals. I do, however, seek your assurance that the Department of Justice will give due consideration to proceeding with prosecution for violation of the Intelligence Identities Protection Act.

Sincerely

Henry J. Hyde

Member of Congress

cc: Director of Central Intelligence

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